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Expedited Prosecution - Group Art Unit 1652

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
TETSUYA YANO ET AL.) : Examiner: E. Slobodyansky
Application No.: 09/430,029) : Group Art Unit: 1652
Filed: October 29, 1999)
For: DNA FRAGMENT CARRYING)
TOLUENE MONOOXYGENASE :
GENE, RECOMBINANT)
PLASMID, TRANSFORMED :
MICROORGANISM, METHOD)
FOR DEGRADING :
CHLORINATED ALIPHATIC)
HYDROCARBON COMPOUNDS :
AND AROMATIC COMPOUNDS,)
AND METHOD FOR :
ENVIRONMENTAL)
REMEDIATION : December 6, 2001

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action

dated June 6, 2001 for three (3) months from September 6, 2001 up to and including

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